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FOL TEL RCVD FROM RIO DE JANEIRO 12 OCT 74 SENT ACTION BRASILIA  
INFO RECIFE, SAO PAULO BEING RPTD FOR YOUR ACTION

QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L RIO DE JANEIRO 3865

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, PFOR, BR, US

SUBJECT: REACTIONS TO FRED MORRIS CASE

1. TIME REPRESENTATIVE IN RIO DE JANEIRO HAS JUST BEEN INFORMED BY HOME OFFICE THAT PIECE ON MORRIS CASE WILL APPEAR IN TIME ISSUE DUE TO HIT US NEWSSTANDS OCTOBER 21 (AND ARRIVE IN BRAZIL OCTOBER 22). PIECE WILL BE PART OF "LETTER FROM THE PUBLISHER" SECTION AND WILL COMMENT ON DANGERS NEWSMEN MUST FACE. PIECE DESCRIBES MORRIS AS STRINGER FOR AP, TIME, AND OTHER US JOURNALS IN RECIFE. IT DESCRIBES IN SOME DETAIL BRUTAL PROCEDURES USED TO INTERROGATE HIM, AMBASSADOR'S PROTEST AND MENTIONS BRAZILIAN PRESS AND OFFICIAL REACTION TO CASE. SECOND PART OF PIECE MENTIONS BEATING RECEIVED BY TIME CORRESPONDENT BARRY HILLENBRAND EARLIER THIS WEEK IN SAIGON. COINCIDENTALLY, HILLENBRAND IS ACTUALLY ASSIGNED TO RIO BUT IS NOW IN VIETNAM ON TDY. TIME REPRESENTATIVE IN RIO IS SUGGESTING SOME FACTUAL CORRECTIONS TO PIECE WHICH IS SUBJECT TO FURTHER MODIFICATIONS IN FINAL EDITORIAL CLEARANCE PROCEDURES IN NEW YORK.

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2. TIME REPRESENTATIVE ALSO STATES THAT 30-YEAR-OLD FORMER GIRLFRIEND OF MORRIS IN RIO, DIONI RODRIGUES MANSO, WAS PICKED UP AFTERNOON OF OCTOBER 3, 1974, AND QUESTIONED DAILY FOR A WEEK ABOUT MORRIS' FRIENDS AND CONNECTIONS IN RIO. ON OCTOBER 9 DOPS INFORMED HER FAMILY SHE WOULD BE USED AS WITNESS IN MORRIS TRIAL. REPORTEDLY SHE WAS RELEASED ABRUPTLY AND WITHOUT EXPLANATION AFTERNOON OF OCTOBER 11. HER FAMILY TOLD TIME REPRESENTATIVE SHE LOST HER JOB AS RESULT OF ARREST. FAMILY BELIEVES OTHER FRIENDS AND ACQUAINTANCES OF MORRIS ALSO BEING INTERROGATED. ONLY NAME THEY MENTIONED WAS OF AMAN WHOSE FIRST NAME IS ALEXANDER.

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